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Name: Yuhgo Maruta**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

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Dear Commissioner:

Under 37 C.F.R. §1.114, it is respectfully requested that this application be accorded the benefits of Continued Examination. An Amendment responding to the issues of the December 23, 2005 Office Action is filed herewith.

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